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TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 3873
INFO AMEMBASSY RABAT
AMCONSUL CASABLANCA

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TAGS: OCON, BEXP, MO
SUBJ: NEA REGIONAL E/C OFFICERS CONFERENCE

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1. ROOMS FOR NUMBER OF DELEGATES NOW EXPECTED TO ATTEND CONFERENCE
HAVE BEEN BLOCKED AT ALMOHADES HOTEL.

2. CONSULATE GENERAL HAS DITTO AND STENCIL REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT
AND A NASHUA PHOTO COPYING MACHINE. LATTER MAKES GOOD READABLE
COPIES BUT WOULD NOT BE A PRACTICAL MEANS FOR MAKING LARGE NUMBER
OF COPIES. WHERE POSSIBLE, WASHINGTON SHOULD SEND SUFFICIENT
NUMBER OF COPIES OF WELCOME KIT MATERIALS FOR DELEGATES ATTENDING.
CONGEN IS ALSO PREPARING WELCOME KITS WITH MATERIALS RELATED TO
THE CITY OF TANGIER AND THE OLD LEGATION BUILDING.

3. MOVEABLE BLACKBOARD AND CHART STAND ARE AVAILABLE HERE AND
NOTE PADS, WATER PITCHERS, GLASSES AND OTHER SUPPLIES WILL BE
PROVIDED BY CONGEN.

4. U.S. CITIZEN QUALIFIED TO ACT AS CONFERENCE SECRETARY
NOT AVAILABLE IN TANGIER. EMBASSY RABAT IS NOW TRYING TO
LOCATE A QUALIFIED PERSON AND IS CONFIDENT IT WILL BE ABLE TO
DO SO. PER DIEM AND TRAVEL WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID IN ADDITION
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TO SALARY. ROOM CLOSE TO CONFERENCE HALL IS BEING SET UP AS
CONFERENCE OFFICE WITH NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND TELEPHONES.

5. INCREASE IN SIZE OF CONFERENCE FROM THIRTY DELEGATES
ORIGINALLY PROJECTED TO FIFTY-FOUR NOW EXPECTED TO ATTEND WILL
TAX LIMITED RESOURCES OF THIS SMALL POST; HOWEVER, CONGEN WILL
DO ITS BEST PROVIDE EFFECTIVE SUPPORT. HAVING PLANAGAN ON HAND

DURING CONFERENCE WILL BE A GREAT HELP AND JOE SALOOM FROM
EMBASSY RABAT ALSO PLANS TO BE IN TANGIER FROM ABOUT MARCH 30
THROUGH THE CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE. THAT WILL BE THE PERIOD
WHEN CONGEN WILL NEED OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE AND WE URGE PLANAGAN
TO SCHEDULE HIS ARRIVAL FOR ABOUT THE SAME TIME. THERE IS NO
RPT NO NEED FOR HIM TO ARRIVE IN TANGIER EARLY THAT WEEK.
SUGGEST PLANAGAN TAKE TWA FLIGHT WHICH ARRIVES CASABLANCA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, SPEND THAT NIGHT IN RABAT AND PROCEED
TO TANGIER THURSDAY, MARCH 30 BY CAR WITH SALOOM. EMBASSY RABAT
CAR WILL MEET PLANAGAN AT CASA AIRPORT.EASTMAN

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